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## **EX PARTE PRESENTATION**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation in IB Docket No. 11-150, DISH Network Corporation Files to Acquire Control of Licenses and Authorizations Held By New DBSD Satellite Services G.P, Debtor-in-Possession and TerreStar License Inc., Debtor-in-Possession; IB Docket No. 11-149, New DBSD Satellite Service G.P., Debtor-in-Possession, and TerreStar Licensee Inc., Debtor-in-Possession, Request for Rule Waivers and Modified Ancillary Terrestrial Component Authority

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, DISH Network ("DISH") submits this letter summarizing a meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 with Commissioner Mignon Clyburn and Louis Peraertz, Legal Advisor on Wireless, International, and Public Safety for Commissioner Clyburn. Present at the meeting on behalf of DISH were Thomas Cullen, Executive Vice President; Stanton Dodge, Executive Vice President and General Counsel; Jeffrey Blum, Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel; and Alison Minea, Corporate Counsel.

During the meeting, we discussed why immediate grant of the transactions and associated waivers is critical to DISH's ability to move forward with its planned nationwide wireless network. The applications present the Commission with an opportunity to advance one of its highest priorities – providing new sources of broadband competition. The regulatory flexibility sought by DISH is the best course to achieving the Commission's National Broadband Plan goals, and will promote competition, investment, and innovation. In addition, we noted that AT&T's¹ attempt to introduce issues related to DISH's potential use of the 700 MHz E-Block licenses held by its affiliate, Manifest Wireless L.L.C., is extraneous

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Letter from Joan Marsh, Vice President – Federal Regulatory, AT&T Inc., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, IB Docket Nos. 11-149, 11-150, at 3-6 (filed Jan. 26, 2012).

to the current proceedings, because grant of DISH's applications concerning 2 GHz spectrum would have no effect on any issues relating to a separate block of 700 MHz spectrum.<sup>2</sup>

DISH believes that the record demonstrates that expeditious approval will be a win for consumers, competition, and American jobs.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Louis Peraertz

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Letter from Jeffrey H. Blum, Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, DISH Network, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, IB Docket Nos. 11-149, 11-150, at 5 (filed Feb. 2, 2012).